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HOUSE BILLS OF THE 105th CONGRESS OF INTEREST TO THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS

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H.R.00004

Truth in Budgeting Act

07-Jan-97

Shuster (R-PA)

Ordered to be reported by Transportation and Infrastructure on 2/5/97. Pending with Budget

Provides off-budget treatment for the highway trust fund, the airport and airway trust fund, the inland waterways trust fund, and the harbor maintenance trust fund.

H.R.00055

Long Island Sound Preservation and Protection Act

07-Jan-97

Forbes (R-NY)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Prohibits dumping in Long Is. Sound or Block Is. Sound of dredged material from any Federal or non-Fed. project that contains any of the constituents prohibited as other than trace contaminants except where it is demonstrated to and certified safe by EPA

H.R.00062

Unfunded Federal Mandates Relief Act

07-Jan-97

Herger (R-CA)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

To provide relief to State and local governments from Federal regulation.

H.R.00090

Executive Branch Drug Testing Act

07-Jan-97

Solomon (R-NY)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Subjects all executive branch officers and employees to random drug testing.

H.R.00095

Private Property Protection Act

07-Jan-97

Solomon (R-NY)

Pending with Judiciary and Agriculture

Directs Federal agencies to establish appropriate procedures for assessing whether or not Federal regulations might result in the taking of private property. Directs Sec. Agriculture to report to Congress with respect to such takings under Dept. Of Agriculture.

H.R.00100

Guam Commonwealth Act

07-Jan-97

Underwood (D-GU)

Pending with Resources and Ways and Means

Creates the Commonwealth of Guam. Grants the people of Guam the right of full self-government through adoption of a Constitution & within specified guidelines. Directs U.S. Government to promote preservation of Chamorro culture & enhance opportunities.

State Water Sovereignty Protection Act

07-Jan-97

Crapo (R-ID)

Pending with Judiciary and Resources

Directs the U.S., whenever it seeks to appropriate water or acquire a water right within a State, to be subject to all procedural & substantive laws of that State relating to its water rights & uses. Subjects management and control of water to State laws

H.R.00131

Sunset Act

07-Jan-97

Cunningham (R-CA)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Require Congress to reauthorize Federal programs every 5 years. Programs that are not reauthorized or extended by Congress would be terminated

H.R.00133

California Outer Continental Shelf Moratorium

07-Jan-97

Cunningham (R-CA)

Pending with Resources

Requires a temporary moratorium on leasing, exploration, and development on lands of the Outer Continental Shelf off the State of California.

H.R.00180

Florida Outer Continental Shelf Restrictions

07-Jan-97

Goss (R-FL)

Pending with Resources

Prohibits Sec. Interior from permitting oil & gas development activities in specified parts of the Eastern Gulf of Mexico Planning Area, the Straits of Florida Planning Area, and the South Atlantic Planning Area, without environmental assessments and certifications.

H.R.00193

National Historic Preservation Act Amendment

07-Jan-97

Herger (R-CA)

Pending with Resources

Prohibits the inclusion of certain natural landscape features on the National Register. Prohibits designation of Mt. Shasta area as a historic district, historic site or national monument.

H.R.00205

Infrastructure Protection Act

07-Jan-97

Kim (R-CA)

Pending with Budget and Transportation and Infrastructure

Prohibits receipts & disbursements of Highway Trust Fund, Airport and Airway Trust Fund, Inland Waterways Trust Fund, & Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund from being included in totals of President's or Congressional budget.

H.R.00227

Florida Wetlands Mitigation Banking Study Act

07-Jan-97

McCollum (R-FL)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs Sec. Army to conduct a study evaluating potential for & problems of mitigation banking in State of FL and report within two years to President and Congress.

Natural Disaster Protection and Insurance Act

07-Jan-97

McCollum (R-FL)

Pending with Banking and Financial Services and Transportation and Infrastructure

Sec. 203 directs the U.S. Comptroller General to conduct a study to identify all Fed. programs that provide assistance for public facilities & lifelines to determine which programs could allow Federal funds to strengthen them to minimize disaster damage.

H.R.00238

Oil Spill Prevention and Response Improvement

07-Jan-97

Menendez (D-NJ)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 in areas of oil spill prevention and response.

H.R.00244

New Jersey Marine and Estuarine Ecosystem Protection

07-Jan-97

Pallone (D-NJ)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Prohibits transport of dredged material for the purpose of dumping it at the "Mud Dump Site", other than for remediation purposes, in the Historic Area Remediation Site. Requires a remediation & restoration plan; modification of environmental assessment activities.

H.R.00254

Greenbrier Basin Flood Control Act

07-Jan-97

Rahall II (D-WV)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends section 579(c) of the Water Resources Development Act 1996 by striking `\$12,000,000' and inserting in lieu thereof `\$40,000,000'.

H.R.00296

Federal Power Marketing Administrations Privatization

07-Jan-97

Shadegg (R-AZ)

Pending with Resources and Commerce

Establishes 3 corporations: Southeastern Power Corporation, Western Area Power Corporation, and Southwestern Corporation to receive Federally-owned power generating facilities, including dams, locks, reservoirs, transmission structures, etc.

H.R.00368

Guam Land Return Act

07-Jan-97

Underwood (D-GU)

Pending with Government Reform & Oversight and Resources

Amends the Organic Act of Guam to provide the government of Guam with a right-of-first refusal regarding excess Federal real property located in Guam.

H.R.00374

Sikes Act Improvement Amendments

07-Jan-97

Young (R-AK)

Pending with Resources and National Security

Directs (current law authorizes) the Sec. Defense to carry out a program of wildlife, fish, and game conservation on each U.S. military installation. Requires an integrated natural resource management plan be included in each program.

National Park System Reform Act

07-Jan-97

Richardson (D-NM)

Pending with Resources

Title I directs Sec. Interior to prepare & submit to the House and Senate Committees a National Park System Plan to guide the direction of the System into next century. Title III covers concessions reform in NPS; Title IV - use fees.

H.R.00455

Long Island Sound Restoration Act

21-Jan-97

Ackerman (D-NY)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs EPA to carry out a demo program to make annual grants to the States of NY and CT for demonstrating methods of restoring & maintaining water quality of designated bays and harbors of Long Island Sound. Authorizes \$50M per year appropriations.

H.R.00478

Flood Prevention and Family Protection Act

21-Jan-97

Herger (R-CA)

Approved, modified, by Resources on 4/24/97

Exempts from consultation and takings requirements under Endangered Species Act any agency action that consists of reconstructing, operating, maintaining or repairing a Federal or non-Fed flood control project, facility or structure.

H.R.00505

Internal Revenue Code Amendment - Brownfields

04-Feb-97

Rangel (D-NY)

Pending with Ways and Means

Permits increase in number of empowerment zones, enterprise communities. Revises tax deductibility of hazardous substance remediation expenditures.

H.R.00511

National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act

04-Feb-97

Young (R-AK)

Pending with Resources

Declares mission and purposes of the NWRS. Directs Sec. Interior to apply specified guidelines in administering the NWRS. Amends compatibility standards and procedures.

H.R.00512

New Wildlife Refuge Authorization

04-Feb-97

Young (R-AK)

Reported by Resources on 9/29/97. Passed House on 5/19/98.

Amends PL 89-669 to require Sec. Interior to gain specific legislative approval for each purchase of land for new wildlife refuges made with money from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

H.R.00523

Brownfields Redevelopment Act

04-Feb-97

Coyne (D-PA)

Pending with Ways and Means

Amends the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit for the cleanup of certain contaminated industrial sites and to allow the use of tax-exempt redevelopment bonds for cleanup purposes.

Nonpoint Source Water Pollution Prevention Act

02-Feb-97

Oberstar (D-MN)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends Clean Water Act to require President to issue regs for prevention/ control of nonpoint sources of pollution on all lands owned & managed by Federal government. Directs EPA to revise water quality criteria triennially.

H.R.00571

Davis-Bacon Act Amendment

04-Feb-97

Mink (D-HI)

Pending with Education and the Workforce

Requires that contract work covered by the Davis-Bacon Act which requires licensing be performed by a person who is so licensed.

H.R.00579

Earthquake, Volcanic Eruption, and Hurricane Hazards Insurance Act

04-Feb-97

Mink (D-HI)

Pending with Banking and Financial Services and Science

Requires FEMA Director to identify earthquake, volcanic eruption, and hurricane-prone States and areas. Establishes 1) Earthquake, Volcanic Eruption, & Hurricane Insurance & Reinsurance Advisory Committee; and 2) the Residential Property Insurance Fund.

H.R.00603

Tennessee Valley Authority First Step Reform Act

05-Feb-97

Franks (R-NJ)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends sec. 27 of the Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933 to prohibit Federal appropriations to the TVA after fiscal year 1998.

Directs OMB to develop & submit to Congress a plan to transition to funding via an open & competitive market.

H.R.00640

Agricultural Lands Protection Act

06-Feb-97

Hostettler (R-IN)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Agriculture

Amends wetland conservation provisions of Food Security Act of 1985 & Clean Water Act to permit unimpeded use of privately owned crop, range, and pasture lands that have been used for planting of crops or grazing of livestock.

H.R.00651 P.L. 105-188

Hydroelectric Project, State of WA, Deadline Extension

06-Feb-97

White (R-WA)

Passed by House on 3/11/97 and Senate on 6/25/98. Signed by President on 7/14/98.

Extends the deadline under Federal Power Act for initiation of construction of a hydroelectric project (FERC No. 8864) by Weyerhauser in State of Washington. (Separate license from H.R. 652)

H.R.00652 P.L. 105-190

Hydroelectric Project, WA, Deadline Extension

06-Feb-97

White (R-WA)

Passed House on 3/11/97 and Senate on 6/25/98. Signed by the President on 7/14/98.

Extends the deadline under Federal Power Act for initiation of construction of a hydroelectric project by Weyerhauser in State of Washington. (Separate license from H.R. 651)

TVA Act Amendments

11-Feb-97

Frelinghuysen (R-NJ)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends the TVA Act of 1933 to provide that no appropriations are authorized to carry out provisions of the Act after 30 SEP 97.

H.R.00709 P.L. 105-36

National Geologic Mapping Reauthorization Act

12-Feb-97

Cubin (AL-WY)

Passed House on 3/11/97. Passed Senate on 7/23/97. Signed by President on 8/5/97.

Reauthorizes National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992 to establish national cooperative geologic mapping program between USGS and State geological surveys. Establishes geologic mapping advisory committee to advise USGS Director.

H.R.00712

National Infrastructure Development Act

12-Feb-97

DeLauro (D-CT)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure, Banking and Financial Services, and Ways and Means

Establishes 1) National Infrastructure Development Corporation (NIDC), which shall make new sources of financing available (incl. public benefit bonds) for development of Infrastructure facilities; and 2) National Infrastructure Insurance Corp.

H.R.00713

National Infrastructure Development Corporation Act

12-Feb-97

DeLauro (D-CT)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure, Banking and Financial Services, and Ways and Means

Establishes 1) National Infrastructure Development Corporation (NIDC), which shall make new sources of financing available (including public benefit bonds) for development of Infrastructure facilities; and 2) National Infrastructure Insurance Corp.

H.R.00716

Freedom From Government Competition Act

12-Feb-97

Duncan (R-TN)

Pending with Budget and Government Reform and Oversight

Requires Federal agencies to obtain all goods and services necessary for or beneficial to the accomplishment of their authorized functions by procurement from private sources, except as specified.

H.R.00718

Federal Power Asset Privatization Act

12-Feb-97

Foley (R-FL)

Pending with Resources and Commerce

Directs Sec. of Energy to sell, at the highest possible price, all Federal electric power generation and transmission facilities supervised by, or coordinated with, the Federal Power Marketing Administrations.

H.R.00749

Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act Amendment

13-Feb-97

Abercrombie (D-HI)

Pending with Resources

Amends the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act to allow the intentional removal or excavation of Native American human remains from Federal or tribal lands for study purposes if consent is obtained from lineal descendants, etc.

Coastal Barrier Resources System Technical Corrections

13-Feb-97

Sanford (R-SC)

Pending with Resources

Directs Sec. Interior to make map corrections for Unit SC-03.

H.R.00806

National Clean Water Trust Fund Act

13-Feb-97

Visclosky (D-IN)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends Clean Water Act to establish a national clean water trust fund and to authorize the EPA Administrator to use amounts in that fund to carry out projects to restore and recover waters of the U.S. from damages resulting from violations of that Act.

H.R.00848

P.L. 105-191

AuSable Hydropower Project Deadline Extension

26-Feb-97

McHugh (R-NY)

Passed House on 6/10/97 and Senate on 6/25/98. Signed by the President on 7/14/98.

Extends the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of the AuSable Hydroelectric Project in New York.

H.R.00860

Surface Transportation Research and Development Act

27-Feb-97

Morella (R-MD)

Reported by Science on 4/29/97.

Authorizes appropriations to the Department of Transportation for surface transportation research and development.

H.R.00873

Land Recycling Act

27-Feb-97

Greenwood (R-PA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Commerce

Eliminates CRCLA & RCRA enforcement actions / liability at sites subject to cleanup under State voluntary cleanup program. Eliminates Federal permit regrmts. for remediation activities at these sites.

H.R.00874

State Taxation of Columbia River Hydropower Employees

27-Feb-97

Hastings (R-WA)

Pending with Judiciary

Mandates that compensation paid by U.S. for personal services as U.S. employee at U.S.-owned Columbia R. hydro facility, portions of which are within OR and WA, shall be subject to taxation by Oregon or political subdivision only if employee is Oregon resident.

H.R.00882

San Francisco Bay Shipping and Fisheries Enhancement Act

02-Feb-97

Miller (D-CA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs Sec. Army to develop and implement a navigation project in San Francisco Bay to remove underwater hazards to navigation near Alcatraz Island; modify navigation lanes & reroute vessel traffic to improve safety & efficiency, etc.

H.R.00885

Prohibition on Entering Certain Service Contracts

27-Feb-97

Norton (DC)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Prohibits any executive branch agency from entering into any service contract if the services procured under the contract can be performed at a lower cost by employees of the agency.

Limitation on Procurement of Service Contracts

27-Feb-97

Norton (DC)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Amends sec. 663, Omnibus Consolidated Appropriations Act, FY 97, to direct President to assure that a cost comparison demonstrating financial advantage to Government must precede any increase in procurement of service contracts under this section.

H.R.00898

Balanced Budget Enforcement Act

27-Feb-97

Visclosky (D-IN)

Pending with Budget, Rules, Ways and Means

Establish a Board of Estimates; requires President's budget and the congressional budget process to meet specified deficit reduction and balance requirements, enforce those requirements through a multiyear congressional budget process.

H.R.00911

Volunteer Protection Act

04-Mar-97

Porter (R-IL)

Passed by House on 5/21/97. S.543 enacted in lieu.

Provides limited tort claim liability protection for nonprofit or governmental volunteers acting in good faith & within scope of their duties. As reported, would supercede State laws unless State provided additional protections for volunteers.

H.R.00990

Brownfields Remediation and Economic Development Act

06-Mar-97

Quinn (R-NY)

Ordered to be reported by Judiciary on 10//97. Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure, Ways and Means, and Commerce Directs EPA Administrator to certify & provide technical assistance to any State program for brownfields remediation under certain conditions. Eliminates Fed. permit requirements for remediation activities under State program.

H.R.00992

Tucker Act Shuffle Relief Act

06-Mar-97

Smith (R-TX)

Passed House on 3/12/98

Permits property owner to file a civil action to challenge validity of any agency action that adversely affects owner's interest in private property in either the U.S. District Court or U.S. Court of Federal Claims.

H.R.00996

Internal Revenue Code Amendment - Brownfields

06-Mar-97

Weller (R-IL)

Pending with Ways and Means

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to permit, as specified, the issuance of tax-exempt qualified contaminated site remediation bonds.

H.R.00997

Internal Revenue Code Amendment - Brownfields

06-Mar-97

Weller (R-IL)

Pending with Ways and Means

Amends the Internal Revenue Code to permit the expensing (of up to \$500,000) and amortization (of the remaining amount over a 60 month period) of qualified environmental remediation expenses.

Illinois and Michigan Canal Heritage Corridor Commission Extension

12-Mar-97

Lipinski (D-IL)

Reported by Resources on 8/5/98.

Amends 1984 Act to extend Commission for additional 10 years.

H.R.01049

Brownfield Economic Revitalization Act

12-Mar-97

Shays (R-CT)

Pending with Ways and Means, Commerce, and Banking and Financial Services

Directs EPA Administrator & Sec. Housing and Urban Development to provide financial assistance to support assessment, cleanup, and econ. redevelopment of brownfield sites; to amend the Internal Revenue Code to encourage cleanup of sites.

H.R.01085 P.L. 105-225

Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations Revisions

17-Mar-97

Hyde (R-IL)

Passed House, amended, on 2/3/98 and Senate on 6/30/98. Signed by President on 8/12/98.

Makes a number of minor technical & grammatical changes to laws related to patriotic & national observances, ceremonies, including Carl Garner Federal Lands Cleanup Day; no substantial changes to existing law.

H.R.01103

San Timoteo Creek, CA, Flood Control Project

18-Mar-97

Lewis (R-CA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs Sec. Army to permit extension of payment of non-Fed contribution for project costs over a period determined by non-Fed sponsor but not to exceed 30 years from project completion date.

H.R.01119 P.L. 105-85

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998

19-Mar-97

Spence (R-SC)

Passed House on 6/25/97 and Senate on 7/11/97. Signed by President on 11/18/97.

Authorizes about \$268 B in appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense and prescribes military personnel strengths for those fiscal years. Authorizes more B-2 bombers.

H.R.01120

Community Revitalization and Brownfield Cleanup Act

19-Mar-97

Dingell (D-MI)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Commerce

Directs EPA Administrator to establish program to provide grants to local governments to inventory & conduct site assessments of brownfield sites; for capitalization of loan programs; to provide technical and other assistance to States.

H.R.01155

California Floods Emergency Repair Act

20-Mar-97

Fazio (D-CA)

Pending with Resources

Exempts from Endangered Species Act certain California flood control facility maintenance, repair, and improvement actions.

Corps of Engineers Oversight of Superfund Contracts

20-Mar-97

Frelinghuysen (R-NJ)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Commerce

Amends CRCLA of 1980 to require, with exception, that administration of contracts awarded for design and construction associated with Hazardous Substance Superfund lead remedial actions be performed by the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

H.R.01167

Volunteer Protection Act

20-Mar-97

Inglis (R-SC)

Pending with Judiciary

Grants nonprofit volunteers immunity from civil lawsuits except in extraordinary circumstances. Pre-empts any related state laws unless they offer volunteers more protections than the Federal guidelines.

H.R.01183

Swamp Creek and Ruth Creek Hydroelectric Projects, WA, Deadline Extension

20-Mar-97

Metcalf (R-WA)

Pending with Commerce

Extends the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to initiation of construction of the Swamp Creek and Ruth Creek Projects in Washington.

H.R.01184 P.L. 105-192

Bear Creek Hydroelectric Project, WA, Deadline Extension

20-Mar-97

Metcalf (R-WA)

Amended and passed House on 6/10/97 and passed Senate on 6/25/98. Signed by the President on 7/14/98.

Extends the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to initiation of construction of the Bear Creek Projects in Washington.

H.R.01194

Federal Facilities Clean Water Compliance Act

20-Mar-97

Schaefer (R-CO)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends sec. 313 of FWPCA to require Federal agency compliance with water pollution abatement and mngmt. to same extent as any person is required. Allows Fed. FWPCA regulating agency to enforce provisions on any Fed agency.

H.R.01206

Brownfield Cleanup and Redevelopment Act

20-Mar-97

Visclosky (D-IN)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Commerce

Directs EPA Administrator to establish program under which States may be certified to carry out voluntary environmental cleanup programs for low and medium priority sites to protect human health and the environment and promote economic development.

H.R.01209

Defense of the Environment Act

20-Mar-97

Waxman (D-CA)

Pending with Judiciary and Rules

Requires Congressional report for bills that include provision that reduces environmental protection. Requires OMB to ensure that, before proposing or promulgating any major rule, the responsible agency has analyzed provisions that reduce environmental p

Fall River Waters Users District Rural Water System

21-Mar-97

Thune (R-SD)

Pending with Resources

Authorizes Sec. Interior to make grants for the construction & operation of the Fall River Water Users District Rural Water System.

Potential water sources including three separate but unnamed reservoirs in southwestern SD.

H.R.01213

Perkins County Rural Water System

21-Mar-97

Thune (R-SD)

Pending with Resources

Authorizes Sec. Interior to make grants for the planning & construction of the Perkins Co. Rural Water System. Missouri River is identified as the best water source.

H.R.01217

P.L. 105-193

Hydroelectric Project, WA, Deadline Extension

21-Mar-97

Metcalf (R-WA)

Passed House on 6/10/97 and passed Senate on 6/25/98. Signed by President on 7/14/98.

Extends the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to initiation of construction of the Young's Creek hydroelectric project in State of Washington.

H.R.01268

National Economic Crossroads Transportation Efficiency Act

10-Apr-97

Shuster (R-PA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Ways and Means

Administrations proposal to reauthorize the Intermodal Surface Transportation and Efficiency Act. Sec. 1026 authorizes transfer of funds from DOT to Federal land management agencies for administrative costs in connection with public lands highways.

H.R.01270

Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1997

10-Apr-97

Upton (R-MI)

Passed House on 10/30/97.

Amends the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1992.

H.R.01284

Safe Drinking Water Act Filtration Amendment

10-Apr-97

Engel (D-NY)

Pending with Commerce

Amends Title XIV of the Safe Drinking Water Act to allow public water systems to avoid filtration requirements.

H.R.01290

Wetlands Restoration and Improvement Act

10-Apr-97

Jones (R-NC)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Establishes National policy on conservation and restoration of wetlands. Directs Sec. Army to issue mitigation bank charter to person whose application satisfies specified criteria. Directs the Sec. to propose regulations which set forth objective criteria.

Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments

10-Apr-97

Saxton (R-NJ)

Pending with Commerce

Terminates the applicability of certain provisions of the Safe Drinking Water Act relating to exemptions, variances, and the application of cost considerations in establishing and implementing standards for safe drinking water.

H.R.01318

National Commission to Eliminate Waste in Government Act

14-Apr-97

Royce (R-CA)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Establishes a National Commission to Eliminate Waste in Government to conduct 1) private sector survey on mgmt. & cost control in Federal government; 2) in-depth reviews of operations of executive agencies; privatization, etc.

H.R.01326

Government Shutdown Prevention Act

15-Apr-97

Bunning (R-KY)

Pending with Appropriations

Amends title 31, U.S. Code, to provide for continuing appropriations in the absence of regular appropriations.

H.R.01376

Act to Save America's Forests

17-Apr-97

Eshoo (D-CA)

Pending with Agriculture, Resources, and National Security

Requires Forest Service to restore native plants & animals to forest lands where they have been depleted. Bans clearcutting and even-age logging on all Federal lands. Directs Secretaries, incl. Army, to conserve/restore native biodiversity.

H.R.01378

Open Competition And Fairness Act

17-Apr-98

Hayworth (R-AZ)

Pending with Education and the Workforce

Amends National Labor Relations Act to prohibit discrimination against prime contract bidder for Federally funded project on basis of requirement that such person enter into/ adhere to collective bargaining agreement as work condition.

H.R.01392

Brownfields Reuse and Real Estate Development Act

17-Apr-97

Regula (R-OH)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Commerce

Directs EPA Administrator to establish program under which States may be certified to carry out voluntary environmental cleanup programs and to amend CERCLA regarding liability of landowners and prospective purchasers.

H.R.01395

Brownfields and Environmental Cleanup Act

17-Apr-97

Rothman (D-NJ)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Commerce

Directs EPA Administrator to establish program to provide grants to States or local governments to inventory brownfield sites and conduct site assessments; to provide grants to State & local govts. for capitalization of loan programs for site cleanup._

Defense of the Environment Act

17-Apr-97

Waxman (D-CA)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight and Rules

Requires Congressional report for bills that include provision that reduces environmental protection. Requires OMB to ensure that, before proposing/promulgating any major rule, the responsible agency has analyzed provisions that reduce environmental protection.

H.R.01420 P.L. 105-57

National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act

23-Apr-97

Young (R-AK)

Passed by House on 6/3/97 and by Senate on 9/10/97. Signed by President on 10/9/97.

Declares conservation as mission of the NWRS. Codifies policy giving refuge managers discretionary authority over hunting, fishing & observation. Amends compatibility standards and procedures.

H.R.01453

Clean Water Enforcement and Compliance Improvement Act

24-Apr-97

Pallone (D-NJ)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends sec 308 of WPCA to require posting of notice of polluted waters at public access sites when water quality standards are

H.R.01462

Brownfield Cleanup and Redevelopment Revolving Loan Fund Pilot Project Act

24-Apr-97

Visclosky (D-IN)

Pending with Commerce

Directs EPA Administrator to establish a pilot project of capitalization loans to States to establish or expand revolving loan funds for voluntary cleanup of eligible facilities.

H.R.01469

Disaster Recovery Act

29-Apr-97

Livingston (R-LA)

Passed by House on 5/15/97. Amended with S.672 text and passed by Senate on 5/16/97. Agreed to conference on 5/6/97. Vetoed by President on 6/9/97.

Supplements FY97 allocations with \$8.4 billion for disaster relief, military operations etc , incl. \$5.5 billion in disaster assistance for Midwest flood victims, including N. Dakota, Yosemite flood storm damage & Ohio R. flood recovery efforts.

H.R.01477

Hanford Reach, Columbia River, Recreational River

29-Apr-97

Dicks (D-WA)

Pending with Resources

Designates portion of Columbia R. (river mile 346 - 396, Hanford Reach) as a recreational river. Directs Sec. Army to conduct a Rivershore Restoration and Enhancement study and a prelim. plan under sec. 1135 of WRDA 86.

H.R.01481

P.L. 105-265

Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act

29-Apr-97

LaTourette (R-OH)

Passed by House on 9/23/98 and by Senate on 10/2/98. Signed by President on 10/19/98.

Amends 1990 Great Lakes F&WL Restoration Act to provide for implementation of f&wl restoration proposals contained in the Great Lakes Fishery Restoration Study Report. Authorizes funds through FY02.

Off-Budget Treatment of LAWCON Fund

30-Apr-97

Campbell (R-CA)

Pending with Budget and Resources

Provides 1) off-budget treatment of 1/2 of receipts & disbursements of Land & Water Conservation Act Fund & 2) that the amount appropriated from fund for a FY for Fed. purposes not exceed amount appropriated for that FY for financial assistance to States

H.R.01503

Liability Reform for Voluntary Services Act

30-Apr-97

Souder (R-IN)

Pending with Judiciary

To provide uniform standards for the awarding of compensatory and punitive damages in a civil action against a volunteer or volunteer service organization.

H.R.01522

National Historic Preservation Fund Extension

01-May-97

Hefley (R-CO)

Passed House on 5/19/98. Pending with Energy and Natural Resources

Amends sec. 108 to extend authorization for the National Historic Preservation Fund through 2002. Requires Fed. agencies to give first consideration to locating facilities in historic properties in historic districts.

H.R.01523

Dredging Subcontractors SBA Exemption

01-May-97

Hoekstra (R-MI)

Pending with Small Business

Amends sec. 8 of Small Business Act to exempt subcontracts for dredging activities from local buy requirements under the business development program.

H.R.01533

National Initiative on Surface Transportation and the Environment

06-May-97

Andrews (D-NJ)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends title 23, U.S. Code, relating to environmental improvements. Directs Sec. Transportation to establish a wetlands restoration program for providing wetland mitigation grants to States.

H.R.01534

Private Property Rights Implementation Act

06-May-97

Gallegly (R-CA)

Amended and passed by House on 10/22/97. Amended and reported by Senate Judiciary on 2/26/98.

To expedite access to Federal courts for injured parties whose property rights and privileges have been deprived by final actions of Federal agencies.

H.R.01537

Keep the Government Open Act

06-May-97

Meek (D-FL)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Amends the Anti-Deficiency Act to allow the U.S. to enter into contracts or obligations during a lapse in appropriations if the President determines that a sufficient appropriation is likely to be made for that purpose before the end of the fiscal year.

Federal Agency Compliance Act

07-May-98

Gekas (R-PA)

Passed by House on 2/25/98.

Requires Federal agency, its officers & employees, in administering a statute, rule, regulation, program, or policy within a judicial circuit, to adhere to existing precedent respecting interpretation & application, as established by US court of appeals.

H.R.01567

Eastern Wilderness Act

08-May-97

Hansen (R-UT)

Reported, amended, by Resources on 10/12/98.

Directs Sec. of Agriculture & Sec. Interior to study / inventory Fed., State, private lands 500 acres or more east of 100th meridian which could or do qualify as wilderness; through President, advise Congress of recommendations with respect to official designation.

H.R.01577

Department of Energy Abolishment Act

08-May-97

Tiahrt (R-KS)

Pending with Commerce, National Security, Science, Resources, Rules, and Government Reform and Oversight

Directs Sec. Energy to sell all electric power generation & transmission facilities & terminate Power Marketing Admins. other than BPA. Establishes Defense Nuclear Programs Agency. Addresses radioactive waste mgmt. Phases-out several R&D programs.

H.R.01578

Chesapeake Bay Restoration Act

13-May-97

Cardin (D-MD)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends sec. 117 of FWPCA to direct EPA Administrator to maintain Chesapeake Bay Program Office to support Executive Council, incl. technical assistance; complete Program study by 1/1/99.

H.R.01579

Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Act

13-May-97

Gilchrest (R-MD)

Pending with Resources

Directs Sec. Interior (thru Park Service), in cooperation with other agencies & organizations to establish Bay Watertrails connected to Bay Gateways. \$3M per FY authorized.

H.R.01591

Regulatory Accountability Act

14-May-97

Smith (R-TX)

Pending with Budget, Rules, and Government Reform and Oversight

Requires Congressional approval of the amount of compliance costs imposed on the private sector by regulations issued under new or reauthorized Federal laws.

H.R.01609

ISTEA Reauthorization Act

14-May-97

Molinari (R-NY)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Ways and Means

To reauthorize the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991.

Federal Procurement and Assistance Integrity Act

15-May-97

Evans (D-IL)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight and Education and the Workforce

Authorizes the Secretary of Labor to debar or suspend from Federal procurement and nonprocurement activities a person that violates certain labor and safety laws.

H.R.01676

Competitive Selection of Lessees

20-May-97

Spratt (D-SC)

Pending with National Security

Provides for competitive selection of lessees when a military department leases certain non-excess personal property and requires that the Government obtain fair market value for the property.

H.R.01691

Coeur d'Alene River Basin Environmental Restoration Act

21-May-97

Chenoweth (R-ID)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Commerce

Authorizes Sec. Army to request funds from a new trust fund & provide these funds to State of Idaho to develop and implement action plan to enhance natural recovery of the Coeur d'Alene River basin.

H.R.01704

Congressional Office of Regulatory Analysis Creation Act

22-May-97

Kelly (R-NY)

Reported by Judiciary on 3/13/98 and by Government Reform and Oversight on 6/3/98.

Establishes a Congressional Office of Regulatory Analysis to secure info, data, estimates, & statistics from executive branch & conduct assessments of agencies' compliance with major rules procedural steps.

H.R.01707

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations, FY 1997

22-May-97

Obey (D-WI)

Pending with Appropriations and Budget. H.R. 1871 enacted in lieu.

Makes interim emergency supplemental appropriations for immediate needs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997.

H.R.01708

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations, FY 1997

22-May-97

Livingston (R-LA)

Pending with Appropriations and Budget. H.R. 1871 enacted in lieu.

Makes interim emergency supplemental appropriations for immediate needs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997.

H.R.01719

Sportsmen's Bill of Rights Act

22-May-97

Cunningham (R-CA)

Pending with Resources

Establishes policy that Federal agencies exercise authorities to support, promote & enhance hunting & fishing to extent permitted by State/Fed laws. Provides for open access & use for hunting & fishing. Provides for exceptions, limitations, & evaluations

H.R.01732

Off-Budget Treatment of LAWCON Fund

22-May-97

Kildee (D-MI)

Pending with Resources and Budget

Provides for off-budget treatment of receipts and disbursements of the Land & Water Conservation Act Fund.

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations, FY 1997

03-Jun-97

Obey (D-WI)

Pending with Appropriations and Budget. H.R. 1871 enacted in lieu.

Makes emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, including Bosnia, for FY ending 9/30/97.

H.R.01767

Federal Surplus Property Reform Act

03-Jun-97

Peterson (D-MN)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight, National Security, Small Business, Science, and International Relations

Provides for the expansion of limitation on use of excess nonlethal supplies for international assistance programs pursuant to Foreign Assistance Act, Arms Export Control Act, or for humanitarian relief purposes.

H.R.01778

Defense Reform Act

04-Jun-97

Spence (R-SC)

Reported by National Security on 6/17/97.

Provides for phased reduction in personnel in DOD management HQ and HQ support activities to 75% of 10/97 baseline number by 10/01. Amends competitive procurement requirements. Amends CRCLA to detail remediation methods

H.R.01785

Automatic Continuing Appropriation Amendment

04-Jun-97

Kleczka (D-WI)

Pending with Appropriations

Provides for appropriations, with terms and conditions, for continuation of preceding-year funded projects or activities if regular appropriation bill not enacted before beginning of FY.

H.R.01796

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations, FY 1997

05-Jun-97

Obey (D-WI)

Pending with Appropriations and Budget. H.R. 1871 enacted in lieu.

Makes emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, including Bosnia, for FY ending 9/30/97.

H.R.01811

Columbia River Habitat Protection and Recreational Access Act

05-Jun-97

Hastings (R-WA)

Pending with Resources

Directs Sec. Interior to convey to the State of Washington, and Adams, Grant, and Franklin Counties (WA) certain properties of the Hanford Works that runs along both banks of the Columbia River only, but only after EPA environmental clearance.

H.R.01824

Small Business Act Amendment

05-Jun-97

Wynn (D-MD)

Pending with Small Business

Amends Small Business Act to increase annual government-wide goal from 20 percent to 25 percent for procurement contracts awarded to small business concerns and those owned & controlled by socially & economically disadvantaged individuals, women.

Termination of the American Heritage Rivers Initiative

10-Jun-97

Chenoweth (R-ID)

Reported by Resources on 10/6/98.

Directs that no funds appropriated or otherwise made available may be used to develop, implement, or carry out the American Heritage Rivers Initiative as described in CEQ's proposal.

H.R.01850

Defense Department Best Business Practices

10-Jun-97

Maloney (D-NY)

Pending with National Security

Requires the Secretary of Defense to plan and carry out pilot projects to test various best business practices for defense inventory management.

H.R.01861

Forest Biodiversity Act

11-Jun-97

Hinchey (D-NY)

Pending with Agriculture, Resources, and National Security

Amends the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 by placing restraints upon clearcutting and certain other cutting practices on the forests of the United States.

H.R.01871

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations, FY 1997

12-Jun-97

Livingston (R-LA)

Passed House and Senate on 6/12/97. Signed by President on 6/12/97.

P.L. 105-18

Makes emergency supplemental appropriations for recovery from natural disasters, and for overseas peacekeeping efforts, including Bosnia, for FY ending 9/30/97.

H.R.01884

Voluntary Environmental Self-Evaluation Act

06-Jun-97

Hefley (R-CO)

Pending with Agriculture, Judiciary, Resources, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Commerce

Establishes limited privileges and immunities for certain information relating to compliance with environmental laws, including info contained in any voluntary environmental self-evaluation report.

H.R.01905

Environmental Restoration Project at Lockwoods Folly River, Brunswick County, NC

17-Jun-97

McIntyre (D-NC)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs Sec. Army to carry out a project to open the Old Eastern Navigation Channel of the mouth of Lockwoods Folly River, Brunswick County, NC, & partially close an ocean channel at west end of Sheep Island.

H.R.01912

Government Shutdown Prevention Act

17-Jun-97

Davis (R-VA)

Pending with Appropriations

Provides for the continued funding in FY98 of Federal programs, projects and activities for which funds were provided in FY97.

Sunset Act of 1997

17-Jun-97

Doggett (D-TX)

Pending with Rules, Budget, and Government Reform and Oversight

Requires reauthorizations of budget authority for government programs at least every 10 years, to provide for review of government programs at least every 10 years.

H.R.01916

Government Shutdown Prevention Act

17-Jun-97

Gekas (R-PA)

Pending with Appropriations

Provides for the continued funding in FY98 of Federal programs, projects and activities for which funds were provided in FY97.

H.R.01953

Clarification of State Authority to Tax Compensation Paid to Individuals

18-Jun-97

Gekas (R-PA)

Reported by Judiciary on 7/25/97. Passed House on 7/28/97. Pending with Finance and Governmental Affairs.

Clarifies that individuals who work in certain Federal facilities that straddle border of two States would pay taxes only to State in which they reside. Includes workers at certain hydroelectric plants on Columbia River, WA/OR, & Missouri River, SD/NE.

H.R.01989

Florida Coast Protection Act

19-Jun-97

Scarborough (R-FL)

Pending with Resources

Amends the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to cancel six existing drilling leases & ban all new leasing activities off Florida coast.

H.R.02007

Canadian River Reclamation Project, Texas, Water Distribution

20-Jun-97

Thornberry (R-TX)

Passed House on 11/13/97.

Amends the project authorizes by adding that Sec. Interior shall allow use of the project distribution system for transport of water from other-than-project sources to municipalities receiving project water at no cost to the Water Authority.

H.R.02010

Lock & Dam No.4 Bridge Rename

23-Jun-97

Dickey (R-AR)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Designates the bridge over lock and dam number 4 on the Arkansas River as the "Lawrence Blackwell Memorial Bridge".

H.R.02014 P.L. 105-34

Revenue Reconciliation Act

23-Jun-97

Kasich (R-OH)

Passed House on 6/26/97 and Senate on 6/27/97. Signed by President on 8/5/97.

Provides \$95 billion net tax cut over 5 fiscal years, incl. \$500-per-child credit for families; reduction in capital gains tax; and approx. \$35 billion in benefits for students.

H.R.02015 P.L. 105-33

Balanced Budget Act

23-Jun-97

Kasich (R-OH)

Passed House on 6/25/97 and Senate on 6/25/97. Signed by President on 8/5/97.

Provides a net reduction of \$122 billion in entitlement spending. Requires Federal workers to contribute more toward employee retirement plans.

H.R.02016 P.L. 105-45

Military Construction Appropriations Act, FY98

24-Jun-97

Packard (R-CA)

Passed by House on 7/8/97 and Senate, amended on 7/22/97. Signed by President on 9/30/97. House overrode 38 line-item vetoes on 2/5/98; Senate on 2/25/98.

Appropriates \$9.2 billion for military construction.

H.R.02071

Good Corporate Citizenship and Federal Procurement Incentives

25-Jun-97

Sanders (I-VT)

Pending with Banking and Financial Services, International Relations, Ways and Means, and Government Reform and Oversight Requires Federal government, in procuring goods & services and in providing certain foreign trade and investment assistance, to give preference to entities that adopt & enforce a corporate code of conduct and to provide annual review process.

H.R.02082

TVA 2000 Regional Commission Act

26-Jun-97

Clement (D-TN)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Science

Establishes a commission to conduct a comprehensive legal & factual study of the navigational, flood control, economic development, recreational, & economic impacts of the future structure, competitiveness, & financial viability of TVA.

H.R.02086

CERCLA Amendment

26-Jun-97

Gillmor (R-OH)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Commerce

Amends Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to limit the portion of Superfund expended for administration, oversight, support, studies, design, investigations, monitoring, assessment, & evaluation, and enforcement

H.R.02087

Polluter Pays Act of 1997

26-Jun-97

Gillmor (R-OH)

Passed by Senate on 10/12/98.

Amends the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to require that polluters are responsible for the cleanup of hazardous substances.

H.R.02094

Beaches Environmental Assessment, Closure, and Health Act

26-Jun-97

Pallone (D-NJ)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends the Clean Water Act to address State adoption of coastal recreational water quality criteria and coastal beach water quality monitoring.

H.R.02107 P.L. 105-83

Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for FY98

01-Jul-97

Regula (R-OH)

Passed by House on 7/15/97 and by Senate on 9/18/97. Signed by President on 11/14/97.

Appropriates \$13 billion in fiscal 1998 for Interior Dept. & related agencies, including \$6.5 billion for Interior agencies and programs. Allows parks, refuges and forests to keep 100% of the fees collected to help reduce the backlog of O&M.

Government-wide Family Policy Coordination and Review

09-Jul-97

Lewis (R-KY)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Requires Federal agencies to assess the impact of policies and regulations on families, through submission of written certification to OMB and Congress.

H.R.02137

Federal Agency Sunset Act

10-Jul-97

Fox (R-PA)

Pending with Rules and Government Reform and Oversight

Requires the review of all Federal departments and agencies and their programs every 7 years to determine if there is a continued need for the department, agency or program.

H.R.02155

Continuation of Nationwide Permit for Headwaters and Isolated Waters

11-Jul-97

Neumann (R-WI)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs that Nationwide Permit 26, for discharges of dredged or fill materials into headwaters and isolated waters, continue, without modification, as in effect on 12/12/96.

H.R.02158 P.L. 105-65

Veterans Affairs, Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998

11-Jul-97

Lewis (R-CA)

Passed House on 7/16/97 and Senate on 7/22/97. Signed by President on 10/27/97.

Directs that not more than \$3.5M of Block Grant Fund in FY97 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act be made available for non-Fed share of Devils

Lake levee project after HUD provides State w/ waiver for its use. Creates \$25M HUD brownfields demo project.

H.R.02159 P.L. 105-118

Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs Appropriations for FY98

14-Jul-97

Callahan (R-AL)

Passed House on 9/4/97 and Senate on 9/5/97. Signed by President on 11/26/97.

Provides \$12.3 billion in foreign aid in FY98. Committee Report language recommends that USAID utilize Corps of Engineers assistance, particularly in Latin America.

H.R.02203 P.L. 105-62

Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act for FY98

21-Jul-97

McDade (R-PA)

Passed House on 7/25/97. Passed by Senate, amended with text of S. 1004, on 7/25/97. Signed by President on 10/13/97.

Appropriates funds for the Army civil works program. Authorizes & directs combining of three Cape Fear River projects into single project for cost-sharing purposes. Transfers DOE's Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program to Corps.

H.R.02204 P.L. 105-383

Coast Guard Authorization Act

21-Jul-97

Shuster (R-PA)

Passed House on 10/21/97 and Senate, amended, on 10/12/98. Further amended by House on 10/15/98. Signed by President on 11/13/98. Authorizes appropriations for FY98 and FY99 for the Coast Guard. Deems as unreasonably obstructing navigation the lift bridge over back channel of Schuylkill R. in Philadelphia. Sec. 415 addresses dry bulk cargo residue discharge into Great Lakes.

Federal Facilities Clean Water Compliance Act

23-Jul-97

DeFazio (D-OR)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends sec. 309 of FWPCA to allow Sec. Army to issue compliance orders to an federal department, agency or instrumentality to include suspension or revocation of a sec 404 permit if in violation of sec. 301 of the Act.

H.R.02266

P.L. 105-56

Defense Appropriations Act for FY98

25-Jul-97

Young (R-FL)

Passed House on 7/29/97 and Senate, amended, on 7/29/97. Signed by President on 10/8/97.

Appropriates \$247.7 for defense programs in fiscal 1998, including \$125M to develop dual-use (commercial/military) technologies.

H.R.02279

Limitation on Compensation Paid Under Defense Contracts

28-Jul-97

Sanders (I-VT)

Pending with National Security

Prohibits obligation of funds by any agency to a contractor with respect to compensation of services of any one individual in excess of \$250,000 in a fiscal year.

H.R.02280

Limitation on Compensation Paid Under Defense Contracts

28-Jul-97

Sanders (I-VT)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight and National Security

Prohibits obligation of funds by any agency to contractor with respect to compensation of services of any one individual >\$250,000 in fiscal year. Contract with all executive agencies & with DOD, Coast Guard NASA to be treated as single contract.

H.R.02299

Candy Lake, OK, Land Conveyances

30-Jul-97

Coburn (R-OK)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs Sec. Army to convey all lands acquired by U.S. for Corps' Candy Lake Project to original owners or, failing that, to sell the lands at public auction. Specifies procedure for I. D./ eligibility of previous owners.

H.R.02300

Sallisaw Creek, OK, Land Conveyances

30-Jul-97

Coburn (R-OK)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs Sec. Army to convey all lands acquired by U.S. for Corps' Little Sallisaw Public Use Area of the Robert S. Kerr Lock and Dam Project to original owners or, failing that, to sell the lands at public auction.

H.R.02304

Coastal Barriers Resources Act Amendment, P19-P

30-Jul-98

Goss (R-FL)

Pending with Resources

To correct the 2 November 1994 map relating to unit P19-P.

Magnetic Levitation (MAGLEV) Transportation Technology Deployment Act

31-Jul-97

Kim (R-CA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure, Ways and Means, Science

Establishes 1) National policy to operate MAGLEV transportation technology system along Fed. highway & other rights-of-way, 2) a High-Speed Ground Transportation Office to administer programs & provide Fed. share of costs of eligible projects.

H.R.02351

Endangered Species Recovery Act

31-Jul-97

Miller (D-CA)

Pending with Resources and Ways and Means

Amends Endangered Species Act of 1973. Requires each Fed. agency to monitor status and trends of threatened, endangered & candidate species on agency lands or waters.

H.R.02374

DeLauro-Lowey Water Pollution Control and Estuary Restoration Act

01-Aug-97

Lowey (D-NY)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends Title VI of CWA to extend authorization of appropriations for State water pollution control revolving fund program through FY04. Directs States to establish separate Estuary Accounts for implementing approved estuary plans.

H.R.02398

Small Reclamation Water Resources Project Act

04-Sep-97

Calvert (R-CA)

Pending with Resources

Amends Small Reclamation Projects Act to provide for Fed. cooperation in non-federal reclamation projects and for participation by non-federal agencies in Federal projects. Sets non-Fed. cost-sharing at 25-40%.

H.R.02400 P.L. 105-178

Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century

04-Sep-97

Shuster (R-PA)

Signed by President on 6/9/98.

Reauthorizes the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA). Sec.1212 directs St.Georges Bridge, DE, transfer to State if necessary to facilitate retransfer to private entity. Sec 1214 authorizes \$3M/yr to DOT for 3 years for Ft. Peck Visitors Center and \$800K for Reservoir Access Roads in Missouri.

H.R.02415

Clean Water Act Amendment - Effect of Administrative Orders on Civil Penalty Actions

05-Sep-97

Condit (D-CA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends the Clean Water Act to exempt from certain civil penalties violations subject to administrative orders that occur at publicly owned treatment works utilizing innovative or alternative technology funded by EPA construction grants.

H.R.02424

Line Item Veto Act Amendment

05-Sep-97

Upton (R-MI)

Pending with Budget

Amends the Line Item Veto Act of 1996 to remove a requirement that makes the President's line item veto authority contingent on a cancellation (line item veto) reducing the Federal budget deficit.

Disaster Streamlining and Costs Reduction Act

10-Sep-97

Shuster (R-PA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends the Stafford Act to authorize FEMA to establish a pre-disaster mitigation program to assist state and local governments.

Streamlines funding and limits access to Federal disaster assistance.

H.R.02485

Common Sense Superfund Liability Relief Act

16-Sep-97

Stupak (D-MI)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Commerce

Amends CERCLA to provide liability relief for small parties, innocent landowners, and prospective purchasers.

H.R.02516

Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency (ISTEA) Extension Act

23-Sep-97

Shuster (R-PA)

Passed by House, amended, on 10/1/97.

Authorizes appropriations under the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) for Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, and mass transit programs for first 6 mos. of FY 1998.

H.R.02547

Oceans Act of 1997

25-Sep-97

Farr (D-CA)

Pending with Resources

Establishes a National Ocean Council and a Commission on Ocean Policy. President to develop & maintain a coordinated, comprehensive, and long-range ocean and coastal activities national policy.

H.R.02556

Wetlands and Wildlife Enhancement Act

25-Sep-97

Saxton (R-NJ)

Reported, amended, by Resources on 5/11/98. Passed House on 5/19/98.

Reauthorizes for 5 years the North American Wetlands Conservation Act (\$30M/year) and the Partnerships for Wildlife Act (\$6.25M/year).

H.R.02557

Abandoned and Derelict Vessel Removal Act

25-Sep-97

Stark (D-CA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Prohibits abandonment of vessels on navigable waters of the U.S. Sets criteria determining abandonment and civil penalties for violations. Establishes process for removal of vessels by Sec. Army in co-op with Coast Guard.

H.R.02624

Military Construction, FY98, Line Item Veto Cancellation

07-Oct-97

Whitfield (R-KY)

H.R.2631 enacted in lieu.

Disapproved 38 cancellations transmitted by President on 10/6/97, regarding P.L. 105-45, Military Construction Appropriations Act, FY 1998.

H.R.02631 P.L. 105-159

Military Construction, FY98, Line Item Veto Cancellation

07-Oct-97

Skeen (R-NM)

Passed House on 11/8/97 and Senate on 11/9/97. Vetoed by President on 11/13/97. Veto override passed by House on 02/5/98 and Senate on 2/25/98.

Reinstates 38 cancellations transmitted by President on 10/6/97, regarding P.L. 105-45, Military Construction Appropriations Act, FY 1998.

H.R.02641

Coast Guard Conveyance of Certain Property in Sault Sainte Marie, MI

08-Oct-97

Stupak (D-MI)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs the commandant of the Coast Guard to convey certain property in Sault Sainte Marie, Mich., to the local American Legion Post.

H.R.02649

Expedited Recissions Act

09-Oct-97

Skaggs (D-CO)

Pending with Budget and Rules

To repeal the Line Item Veto Act and to amend the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act to provide for the expedited consideration of certain proposed rescissions of budget authority.

H.R.02650

Line Item Veto Repeal Act

09-Oct-97

Skaggs (D-CO)

Pending with Budget and Rules

To repeal the Line Item Veto Act of 1996.

H.R.02667

Department of Commerce Dismantling Act

09-Oct-97

Royce (R-CA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure, Commerce, Banking and Financial Services, International Relations, National Security, Agriculture, Ways and Means, Government Reform and Oversight, the Judiciary, Science, and Resources

Abolishes Dept. of Commerce and transfers its functions to OMB and other agencies as specified. Mapping, charting and geodesy functions transferred to Corps, and Sec. Army to terminate those functions performed by private sector.

H.R.02670

Clean Water Act Amendment for National Estuary Program

09-Oct-97

Saxton (R-NJ)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

To permit grants for national estuary program to be used for the development & implementation of a comprehensive conservation & management plan, to reauthorize appropriations to carry out the program.

H.R.02720

Davis-Bacon Act and the Copeland Act Repeal

23-Oct-97

Paul (R-TX)

Pending with Education and the Workforce

Repeals both Acts effective 30 days after date of enactment, but shall not affect any contract in existence on date of enactment or made pursuant to invitation for bids outstanding on date of enactment.

Superfund Acceleration, Fairness and Efficiency Act

23-Oct-97

Boehlert (R-NY)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure, Ways and Means, and Commerce

Reauthorizes and modifies the Superfund Program.

H.R.02741

Section 404 Exemption - Maintenance of Certain Flood Control Features

24-Oct-97

McKeon (R-CA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Provides a conditional exemption under sec. 404 of the Clean Water Act, relating to discharges of dredged or fill material, for maintaining serviceability of partially vegetated channels that are components flood control projects.

H.R.02750

Superfund Cleanup Acceleration and Liability Equity Act

28-Oct-97

Barcia (D-MI)

Pending with Commerce and Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to address remedy selection, liability and allocation, and community participation and human health.

H.R.02756

Kake Tribal Corporation Land Exchange Act

28-Oct-97

Young (R-AK)

Reported, amended, by Resources on 10/6/98.

Authorizes an exchange of property between the Kake Tribal Corporation and the Sealaska Corporation and the United States.

H.R.02758

Federal Prison Industries Competition in Contracting Act

29-Oct-97

Hoekstra (R-MI)

Pending with Judiciary

Amends 18 USC sec.4124 to establish government-wide policy for procurement from Federal Prison Industries, Inc.

H.R.02760

Disabled Sportsmen's Access

29-Oct-98

Cunningham (R-CA)

Pending with Resources and National Security

Amends Sikes Act, sec. 103, directing Sec. Defense, when developing public outdoor recreation facilities & conducting such programs at military installations, to ensure such rec. opportunities provide equal access for disabled vets & military dependents.

H.R.02762

Wetlands and Watershed Management Act

29-Oct-97

Gilchrest (R-MD)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends Clean Water Act to include wetlands in navigable waters definition. Declares that areas certified by Sec. Agriculture as prior converted cropland are not navigable waters unless cropping has ceased & area meets wetland definition. Directs use of 1987 Manual.

H.R.02786

Iran Missile Protection Act

31-Oct-97

Weldon (R-PA)

Passed House on 3/30/98.

Authorizes additional appropriations for DOD for ballistic missile defenses and other measures to counter the emerging threat posed to the U.S. and its allies by the development & deployment of ballistic missiles by Iran.

P.L. 105-312

Rhino and Tiger Product Labeling Act

04-Nov-97

Saxton (R-NJ)

Passed by House on 4/28/98 and by Senate on 10/13/98. Signed by President on 10/30/98.

Title I amends Migratory Bird Treaty Act; Title II transfers to Corps, w/o reimbursement, 37.36 ac. of Upper Miss. R. Wildlife & Fish Refuge, MN.; Title III reauthorizes N. Amer. Wetlands Conservation Act. Title V is Chesapeake Bay Initiatives Act

H.R.02823

National Urban Watershed Model Restoration Act

05-Nov-97

Norton (D-DC)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs EPA Administrator to carry out pilot program for restoration of urban watersheds and community environments in the Anacostia River watershed, DC & MD. Maintain/enhance Corps/EPA Biennial Work Plan. Coordinate w/ Corps to identify projects.

H.R.02840

Regulatory Right-to-Know Act

06-Nov-97

Bliley (R-VA)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Requires OMB to administer the biennial preparation and submission to Congress of an accounting statement that estimates costs and benefits of Federal regulatory programs.

H.R.02858

Military Readiness Act

06-Nov-97

Rodriguez (D-TX)

Pending with National Security

Provides for an increase in pay and allowances and improved health care for members of the uniformed services; conveyance of utility systems; fire protection at Ft. Meade per Corps report.

H.R.02883

Government Performance and Results Act Amendment

07-Nov-97

Burton (R-IN)

Passed House, amended, on 3/12/98.

Amends Act to add several requirements to strategic plan contents, revise plan format, and address resubmissions.

H.R.02893

Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act Amendment

07-Nov-97

Hastings (R-WA)

Pending with Resources

Amends the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act to provide for appropriate study and repatriation of remains for which a cultural affiliation is not readily ascertainable.

H.R.02894

Species Rescue Act

07-Nov-97

Herger (R-CA)

Pending with Resources

Amends sec.7 of Endangered Species Act for agency actions on flood control levees to provide for expedited (within 60 days) consultation & conferencing and for relocation of any threatened and endangered species expected to be taken during activity.

Endangered Species Act Amendment for Repair of Levee Structures

07-Nov-97

Pombo (R-CA)

Pending with Resources

Amends sec.7 of Endangered Species Act for agency actions regarding reconstruction or repair of flood control levees to exempt such actions from consultation and from takings determinations.

H.R.02939

Federal Sunset Act

08-Nov-97

Brady (R-TX)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Provides for periodic review of efficiency and public need for Fed. agencies; establishes a Commission for purpose of reviewing efficiency and public need of such agencies; and provides for abolishment of agencies for which a public need does not exist.

H.R.02949

Missouri and Middle Mississippi Rivers Enhancement

08-Nov-97

Hulshof (R-MO)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Resources

Authorizes Sec. Army to develop and implement a plan for a project to protect and enhance fish & wildlife habitat of the Missouri River and the middle Mississippi River. Authorizes \$50 M to be appropriated from FY99-04.

H.R.02958

Delaware and Lehigh Navigation Canal National Heritage Corridor Amendments

08-Nov-97

McHale (D-PA)

Pending with Resources

Amends 1988 Act to remove "Navigation Canal" from title; revises Corridor Commission membership, length of terms, duties and powers.

H.R.02973

Sportfishing and Boating Improvement Act

08-Nov-97

Tanner (D-TN)

Pending with Resources, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Ways and Means

Amends the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration Act to implement a National and State "Outreach and Communications Programs" and directs funds to be used for State rec. boating safety programs & other DOI/DOT programs.

H.R.02988

Federal Power Marketing Act

09-Nov-97

Doolittle (R-CA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure, Commerce, and Resources

Directs Sec. Energy, in co-op w/ Sec. Army & DOI, to 1) annually publish inventory of uncompleted projects for maintenance & improvement of hydroelectric facilities owned by U.S. & operated by Corps & BurRec; 2) contract out these projects.

H.R.03000

Superfund Reform Act

09-Nov-97

Oxley (R-OH)

Pending with Commerce, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Ways and Means

Amends Superfund Act to address remedy selection, liability, brownfields, natural resource damages, State role, Federal facilities, and community participation.

Dakota Water Resources Act

09-Nov-97

Pomeroy (D-ND)

Pending with Resources

Amends PL 89-108, incl. sec. 7 that w/ respect to water systems in ND, costs of features constructed on Mo. R. by Sec. Army before date of enactment of this Act shall be nonreimbursable. Directs DOI bank stabilization review of Mo. R. below Garrison Dam.

H.R.03020

Brownfields Reclamation Act

09-Nov-97

Stokes (D-OH)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure, Commerce, and Ways and Means

Directs EPA Administrator to facilitate State and Tribal voluntary cleanup programs for assessment, cleanup, redevelopment and reuse of brownfields properties. Encourages public/ private/ community partnerships.

H.R.03032

Construction Subcontractors Payment Protection Enhancement Act

12-Nov-97

Maloney (D-NY)

Pending with Judiciary and Government Reform and Oversight

Amends Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act to provide for establishment of policies assuring the timely payment of contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers. Amends the Miller Act to revise provisions concerning payment bonds.

H.R.03035

P.L. 105-199

National Drought Policy Act

12-Nov-97

Skeen (R-NM)

Passed House on 6/16/98 and Senate on 6/24/98. Signed by the President on 7/16/98.

Establishes a National Drought Commission, to include an Army member, to provide recommendations on a national drought policy and report to the President and specified congresssional committees. Transportation and Infrastructure Committee sets members at 16 seats, incl. water users & environmental interests.

H.R.03040

Federal Energy Monitoring, Commissioning, and Savings Act

13-Nov-97

Barton (R-TX)

Pending with Commerce

Authorizes Sec. Energy to award extramural funds to monitor and analyze energy use and to conduct continuous commissioning in Federal buildings to optimize building energy systems.

H.R.03042

P.L. 105-156

Environmental Policy and Conflict Resolution Act

13-Nov-97

Kolbe (R-AZ)

Passed by House on 11/13/97 and by Senate on 1/29/98. Signed by President on 2/11/98.

Amends Morris K. Udall Scholarship & Excellence in National Environmental & Native American Public Policy Act to establish Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution to conduct environ. conflict resolution & training. Authorizes Fed. agency use.

H.R.03055

P.L. 105-313

Miccosukee Tribe Consistency with Everglades National Park

13-Nov-97

Hastings (D-FL)

Passed by House on 10/12/98 and by Senate on 10/15/98. Signed by President on 10/30/98.

Grants Miccosukee Tribe the right to occupy, reside in & govern the Tamiani Indian Reserve. Directs Chief of Engineers to approve any Tribe sec. 404 application only if no impairment of Everglades water quality or flow patterns.

Less Pollution Through Technology Act

13-Nov-97

Lofgren (D-CA)

Pending with Science, Commerce, and Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs EPA Administrator to design and implement a performance-based measurement system to encourage the development of new environmental monitoring technologies.

H.R.03091

Congressional Budget Act Amendment

27-Jan-98

Andrews (D-NJ)

Pending with Rules and Budget

Amends Congressional Budget Act to require 2/3 vote to pass any legislation, when budget not in surplus, that repeals, increases, or waives discretionary spending limit or repeals or waives pay-as-you-go sequestration.

H.R.03099

Non-Electronic Receipt of Federal Payments Option

27-Jan-98

McNulty (D-NY)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Amends U.S. Code to require Federal agency to honor a written statement by recipient of Federal compensation or retirement payments that the recipient does not wish to receive such payments by electronic funds transfer.

H.R.03147

Binational Great Lakes-Seaway Enhancement Act

03-Feb-98

Oberstar (D-MN)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and International Relations

Repeals the Saint Lawrence Seaway Act; authorizes President to enter into exec. agreement with Canada to establish 2 binational corporations (a Seaway Corp. & a G.L. Development Bank). Sets forth guiding negotiating principles.

H.R.03164

Hydrographic Services Improvement Act

05-Feb-98

Saxton (R-NJ)

Passed by House on 4/2/98.

Directs NOAA to develop standards for 1) hydrographic data used by NOAA in providing services, 2) hydrographic services provided by NOAA and any other entity & 3) international hydrographic data; acquire hydrographic data; maintain nationwide database.

H.R.03180

Innovative Environmental Strategies Act

11-Feb-98

Dooley (D-CA)

Pending with Commerce and Transportation and Infrastructure

Allows EPA Administrator to enter into agreement with owner/operator of facility that is subject to agency rule, requirement, policy, or practice if Administrator accepts proposal for innovative environmental strategy for achieving better environ. result

H.R.03228

Line Item Veto Amendment

12-Feb-98

John (D-LA)

Pending with Budget

Adds the requirement that if Federal budget is in surplus then the vetoed item shall be used to reduce the public debt.

Science Integrity Act

12-Feb-98

Pombo (R-CA)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight and Science

Requires Fed. agency heads which issue or may issue regs. supported by scientific data to issue regulations establishing procedures to ensure that acquisition, interpretation, incorporation, & application of the scientific data is subject to peer review.

H.R.03243

Alternative Water Source Development Act

12-Feb-98

Thurman (D-FL)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Authorizes EPA to make grants to States for projects intended to preserve, protect, and maximize use of existing sources of potable, commercial, industrial, or agricultural water by conserving, managing, reclaiming, or reusing water or wastewater.

H.R.03249

Federal Retirement Coverage Corrections Act

24-Feb-98

Mica (R-FL)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight and Ways and Means

Directs that Federal employees affected by certain retirement coverage errors may not be excluded from or made subject to any retirement system for sole purpose of correcting such error.

H.R.03261

Privacy Protection Act

25-Feb-98

Paul (R-TX)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight and Ways and Means

Amends Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect the integrity and confidentiality of SSN's issued under such title, and to prohibit the establishment in the Fed. Gov't of any uniform national identifying number.

H.R.03262

Children's Protection and Community Cleanup Act

25-Feb-98

Pallone (D-NJ)

Pending Commerce, Ways and Means, and Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment. Reauthorize CERCLA. Title VI, Brownfield Remediation, directs EPA Administrator to establish program to award grants to local governments to inventory brownfield sites, conduct site assessments, & provide cleanup training; HUD grants also allowed.

H.R.03267 P.L. 105-372

Salton Sea Reclamation Act

25-Feb-98

Hunter (R-CA)

Passed, amended, by House on 7/15/98 and by Senate, amended on 10/13/98. House agreed to Senate amendments on 10/21/98. Signed by President on 11/12/98.

Authorizes \$5M for Sec. Interior to undertake a study to restore the Salton Sea and \$3M to clean up the New and Alamo Rivers.

H.R.03310

Small Business Paperwork Reduction Act Amendments

03-Mar-98

McIntosh (R-IN)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight and Small Business

Amends Paperwork Reduction Act to require OMB to publish annual list of requirements applicable to small businesses re: collection of information by agencies. Each Fed. agency to establish one POC to liaison with small businesses.

Oceans Act of 1998

12-Mar-98

Saxton (R-NJ)

Passed by House on 9/15/98.

Establishes a National Ocean Council and a 16-member Commission on Ocean Policy. President to develop & maintain a coordinated, comprehensive, and long-range ocean and coastal activities national policy.

H.R.03505

Revised Ozone and Particulate Matter Standards Implementation Act

19-Mar-98

Dooley (D-CA)

Pending with Commerce

Amends the Clean Air Act to provide that all requirements of such Act regarding the implementation of a revised NAAQS shall apply to the eight-hour ozone and revised particulate matter (PM) standards, except as specified in this act.

H.R.03534

Mandates Information Act

24-Mar-98

Condit (D-CA)

Passed House, amended, on 5/19/98. Pending with Governmental Affairs and Budget

Allows Members to raise a point of order against any bill that Congressional Budget Office determines would cost private sector \$100 million a year. Requires CBO to conduct financial analysis.

H.R.03548

Environmental Priorities Act

25-Mar-98

Andrews (D-NJ)

Pending with Commerce and Transportation and Infrastructure

Requires EPA Administrator to establish a National Environmental Priorities Program funded by a portion of electric service choice savings. A 7-person, EPA-appointed Board shall establish admin. rules & criteria for selecting State projects to be funded.

H.R.03557

Water Adjustment Fee Fairness Act

25-Mar-98

Smith (R-OR)

Pending with Judiciary

Subjects the U.S. to administrative fees, claiming fees, and the imposition of judicial costs to the same extent as a private party in proceedings relating to State water rights adjudications.

H.R.03575

Kennewick Man Integrity Protection

27-Mar-98

Hastings (R-WA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Prohibits Sec. Army from authorizing, permitting, or undertaking any activity to stabilize, cover, or permanently alter the site where the Kinnewick Man remains were discovered prior to final disposition of Bonnichsen, et al. v. U.S

H.R.03576

Limitation on Emergency Appropriation Contents

27-Mar-98

Kind (D-WI)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Amends title 31, USC, to prohibit the inclusion of legislative provisions and nonemergency spending in emergency appropriation laws.

H.R.03579 P.L. 105-174

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act of 1998

27-Mar-98

Livingston (R-LA)

Passed House and Senate on 3/31/98. Signed by President on 5/1/98.

Appropriates \$2.9B for Persian Gulf and Bosnia military involvement; \$2.6B for disaster relief. Directs use of available funds up to max. authorized under sec. 205 for Elba, AL.

H.R.03593

Department of Energy Small Business and Industry Partnership Enhancement

30-Mar-98

Ensign (R-NV)

Pending with Commerce

Amends 1954 Atomic Energy Act to 1) include system of performance measures in contracts between DOE and contractors operating DOE facilities; 2) require DOE operating contractors to create a small business technology partnership program at each facility.

H.R.03595

Superfund Improvement Act

30-Mar-98

Manton (D-NY)

Pending with Commerce, Ways and Means, and Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends CERCLA, to include the addition of Title V- Brownfield Remediation and Environmental Cleanup.

H.R.03616 P.L. 105-261

National Defense Authorization Act for FY 1999

01-Apr-98

Spence (R-SC)

Passed by House on 5/21/98 and by Senate, amended with S.2057 language, on 6/25/98. Signed by President on 10/17/98.

Authorizes \$271B appropriations for FY99. Authorizes \$18.5B for military construction accounts; border patrol use of military personnel for illegal immigrants and drugs. Sec.1045 addresses tax treatment of Columbia & Mo. R. hydropower employees.

H.R.03625

San Rafael Swell National Heritage and Conservation

01-Apr-98

Cannon (R-UT)

Reported, amended, by Resources on 8/7/98.

Establishes the San Rafael Swell National Heritage Area and the San Rafael Swell National Conservation Area in the State of Utah.

H.R.03627

Brownfield Community Empowerment Act

01-Apr-98

Rush (D-IL)

Pending with Commerce, Transportation and Infrastructure, Ways and Means, and Banking and Financial Services.

Establishes programs to award grants to local governments & organizations to inventory, assess, & train with respect to the cleanup of brownfield sites & associated waterways and wetlands; and to award grants for revolving loans.

H.R.03638

Preference for Federal Contractors Who Hire Welfare Recipients

01-Apr-98

Andrews (D-NJ)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Government Reform and Oversight

Requires Federal agencies to give preference to entities that agree to hire welfare recipients to carry out contracts; requires Sec.

Transportation to make grants to assist States & other entities in financing transportation services for welfare recipients.

H.R.03647

Coastal Barriers Resources Act Amendment, FL-35

01-Apr-98

Deutsch (D-FL)

Pending with Resources

To correct the 4 March 1985 map relating to unit FL-35 to exclude Pumpkin Key, a 25-acre developed island from the system.

Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation Indian Reserved Water Rights Settlement

01-Apr-98

Hill (R-MT)

Pending with Resources

Approves, ratifies & confirms Tribe/State of Montana Water Rights Compact; provide for funding necessary for implementation; authorize modifications to purposes/operations of Bureau of Reclamation's Tiber Dam & Lake Elwell, MT; authorizes BurRec feasibility studies of MR&I water.

H.R.03669

Upper Colorado River and San Juan River Endangered Fish Recovery

01-Apr-98

McInnis (R-CO)

Pending with Resources

Authorizes Sec. Interior to provide funding for the implementation of the endangered fish recovery implementation programs for the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins. Secretary may enter into agreements and contracts w/ Federal & non-Fed entities.

H.R.03674

Clarification on Dept. of Transportation Collection of Navigational Assistance Services User Fees

01-Apr-98

Oberstar (D-MN)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends title 46, U.S. Code, to clarify that the Secretary of Transportation does not have authority to collect user fees for navigational assistance services, including icebreaking.

H.R.03685

Limit on Authorizations of Appropriations for National Defense For FY 1999

P.L. 105-316

01-Apr-98

Shays (R-CT)

Pending with National Security

Provides that the total amount authorized to be appropriated for national defense functions for FY99 may not exceed amount authorized for such functions for FY98 (\$268,301,837,000).

H.R.03687

Canadian River Project Act

01-Apr-98

Thornberry (R-TX)

Passed House, amended, on 8/6/98 and by Senate on 10/14/98. Signed by President on 10/30/98.

Authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, TX. Directs Sec. Army to continue to prescribe regulations for flood control storage at Lake Meredith.

H.R.03689

Land Between The Lakes Protection Act

01-Apr-98

Whitfield (R-KY)

Pending Transportation and Infrastructure, Resources, and Agriculture

Directs the transfer of Land Between the Lakes Recreation Area property from TVA to Sec. Agriculture for multiple use as a unit of Forest System. Stipulates that TVA and Corps operation of Kentucky Lake and Lake Barkley not to be effected.

H.R.03695

Military Construction Authorization, Fiscal Year 1999

21-Apr-98

Hefley (R-CO)

Pending with National Security

Administration's bill to authorize certain construction at military installations for fiscal year 1999.

American River Watershed Projects

21-Apr-98

Matsui (D-CA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs 1) completion of Folsom Dam feasibility study (enlarge river outlets & construct new outlets); modify MAR96 SIR. based on study results, 3) authorizes construction of Folsom Project, 4) complete study & construct Howe Ave. Bridge Project.

H.R.03700

Prompt Payment Improvement Act

21-Apr-98

Wynn (D-MD)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Amends 31USC39 to add requirement that Federal agency implement OMB-developed prompt payment policy applicable to subcontractors under Fed. contracts, by providing contractor & requiring contractor provide subcontractor with the policy.

H.R.03701

Subcontractor Protection Act

21-Apr-98

Wynn (D-MD)

Pending with Small Business

Amends sec.8(d) of Small Business Act to specify penalty provision to be included in any contract containing a subcontract plan, regarding the use of small business concerns by the subcontractor.

H.R.03715

Pine River Project Conveyance Act

23-Apr-98

McInnis (R-CO)

Pending with Resources

Authorizes Sec. Interior to convey Pine River Project facilities and allows jurisdictional transfer of lands between Forest Service, BurRec, and Bureau of Indian Affairs. Conveyance conditions include Corps development of flood control plan for Vallecito Dam operation.

H.R.03728

Disaster Relief Partnership Act

23-Apr-98

Obey (D-WI)

Pending with Agriculture, Banking and Financial Services, Small Business, House Transportation and Infrastructure

Reaffirms State's primary responsibility for disaster relief; provides that federal role is support in special situations on reimbursable basis; establishes private corp. to provide risk-based insurance to States.

H.R.03737

East Boothbay Harbor, ME, Deauthorization

28-Apr-98

Allen (D-ME)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends sec. 364 of Water Resources Development Act of 1996 to deauthorize the entire East Boothbay Harbor navigation project.

H.R.03793

Animal Waste Research Act

05-May-98

Etheridge (D-NC)

Pending with Agriculture

Directs Sec. Ag. to establish an animal waste research program; authorize grants to universities & other entities for field testing of disposal methods and technologies; and provide a special grant for field trial studies.

Davis-Bacon Act Amendment on Repeated Violations

11-May-98

Andrews (D-NJ)

Pending with Education and the Workforce

Allows a Secretary to cancel the contract when discovered that the contractor has established a pattern of Davis-Bacon Act violations.

H.R.03838

DOD Contract Performance Requirements

12-May-98

Kaptur (D-OH)

Pending with National Security

Amends 10 U.S.C. to require evaluations of sealed bids & competitive proposals to consider the % of work under the contract planned to be performed in U.S.; breach of contract for transferring more work outside U.S.

H.R.03842

Federal Surplus Property Improvement Act

12-May-98

Peterson (D-MN)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight, International Relations, National Security, Science, and Small Business Directs Sec. Defense to make certain Federal excess property available to States for State use before being made available to other entities. Directs GSA to review & report to Congress on all statutes relating to disposal of surplus personal property.

H.R.03866

Water Resources Development Act

14-May-98

Shuster (R-PA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Administration's proposal to provide for the conservation and development of water & related resources, and to authorize Sec. Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers & harbors of U.S.

H.R.03869

National Disaster Preparedness

14-May-98

Blunt (R-MO)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

As amended by subcommittee, amends the Stafford Act to increase funding of post disaster planning to 20% of Fed. disaster assistance; Authorizes pre-disaster aid through FY 2000.

H.R.03875

Coastal States Protection Act

14-May-98

Capps (D-CA)

Pending with Resources

Amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to direct Sec. Interior to cease mineral leasing activity on submerged land of the Outer Continental Shelf that is adjacent to a coastal State that has declared a moratorium on such activity.

H.R.03972

Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act Amendment

22-May-98

Pickett (D-VA)

Passed by House on 10/15/98.

Prohibits Sec. Interior from assessing a fee against State or local government agencies for certain uses of Outer Continental Shelf sand, gravel, and shell resources.

User Fee Act

03-Jun-98

Solomon (R-NY)

Considered and failed in House on 6/5/98.

Provides for enactment of user fees proposed by President's budget. Sec. 310 directs Sec. Army to establish and collect Sec. 404 permit fees from commercial applicants.

H.R.04010

Federal Surplus Property Improvement Act

05-Jun-98

Redmond (R-NM)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight, National Security, International Relations, Small Business, and Science.

Provides that certain DOD excess property be made available to States for State use before being made available to other entities.

H.R.04023

Kern Co., CA, U.S. Forest Service Land Conveyance

09-Jun-98

Thomas (R-CA)

Approved by Resources on 8/5/98. Pending with Commerce and Transportation and Infrastructure.

Directs Sec. Agriculture to convey to Kern Co., CA, three parcels of land under the jurisdiction of the Forest Service in Kern Co. known as Camp Owen, Wofford Heights Park, & French Gulch maintenance yard in exchange for Greenhorn Mountain Park.

H.R.04047

Florida Keys Water Quality Improvements Act

11-Jun-98

Deutsch (D-FL)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Authorizes EPA to make grants to the Florida Keys Aqueduct Authority & other appropriate agencies for purpose of improving water quality throughout ecosystem. Eligible wastewater & stormwater projects must be consistent with S. FL. Ecosystem Task Force.

H.R.04049

Regulatory Fair Warning Act

11-Jun-98

Gekas (R-PA)

Pending with Judiciary

Prohibits Fed. agency or court from imposing a sanction for a violation of a rule if the agency or court finds certain specified circumstances exist.

H.R.04059

P.L. 105-237

Military Construction Appropriations Act, 1999

16-Jun-98

Packard (R-CA)

Passed by House on 6/22/98 and by Senate, amended with text of S.2160, on 6/25/98. Conference Report cleared on 9/2/98. Signed by President on 9/20/98.

Appropriates \$8.45B for military construction, family housing (\$700M), and base realignment and closure for the DOD for the FY ending September 30, 1999.

H.R.04060

P.L. 105-245

Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, FY99

16-Jun-98

McDade (R-PA)

Passed by House on 6/22/98 and by Senate, amended, on 6/23/98. Signed by President on 10/7/98.

Appropriates \$3.96 B for Corps Programs, including \$1.43 B for construction programs. No funds appropriated for TVA.

H.R.04079 P.L. 105-295

Temperature Control Devices at Folsom Dam, CA

18-Jun-98

Doolittle (R-CA)

Passed House on 9/15/98 and Senate on 10/7/98. Signed by President on 10/27/98.

Authorizes Sec. Interior to construct a temperature control device & associated monitoring facilities on

Folsom Dam for benefit & propagation of fall-run chinook salmon & steelhead trout in the American R; & such device on certain non-Fed. facilities

H.R.04094

Brownfield Redevelopment and Environmental Revitalization Act

19-Jun-98

Franks (R-NJ)

Pending with Commerce, Ways and Means, and Small Business

Directs EPA Administrator to establish program to provide grants to States & local governments to inventory & conduct site assessments of, and other pre-cleanup activities at, brownfield sites. Provides financial support.

H.R.04103

P.L. 105-262

Defense Appropriations Act for FY98

22-Jun-98

Young (R-FL)

Passed by House on 6/24/98 and by Senate on 7/30/98. Signed by President on 10/17/98.

Appropriates \$250.5B for defense spending in FY99. Includes \$70.6B for Pentagon personnel (3.1% pay raise); \$84B for O&M, management & health; \$48.5 for weapons; \$36.7 for research.

H.R.04111

Folsom Dam Outlet Modifications

23-Jun-98

Doolittle (R-CA)

Reported by Resources on 10/12/98.

Directs Sec. Interior to carry out outlet modifications to Folsom Dam; to conduct study of reconstruction of Northfork American R. Cofferdam; at request of Governor, transfer Auburn Dam lands to State.

H.R.04122

American Natural Resources and Taxpayer Protection Act

23-Jun-98

Vento (D-MN)

Pending with Resources

Prohibits any Government department from entering any financial agreement concerning U.S. public lands or natural resources with any foreign person without the express prior approval of the Congress.

H.R.04142

Wage Rates of DOD Employees, Wichita Falls, TX, and Southwest Oklahoma Wage Areas

25-Jun-98

Watkins (R-OK)

Pending with Government Reform and Oversight

Requires DOD employees in Wichita Falls, TX, and Southwest Oklahoma wage areas during FY1998 to be paid the wages determined as a result of the full scale wage survey of those areas which took effect in October 1997.

H.R.04162

Regulation Information Presentation Act

25-Jun-98

Chenoweth (R-ID)

Pending with Judiciary

Prescribes a uniform format to be applied by agencies in Federal Register noticing of proposed, final, and interim final rules.

Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1999

08-Jul-98

Regula (R-OH)

Passed by House on 7/23/98

Sec.332 requires TVA to transfer, without reimbursement, Land Between the Lakes Recreation Area to admin. jurisdiction of Sec. Agr. & establishes area as unit of National Forest Sys. Sec.333 addresses Interior Columbia Basin Ecosystem Management Project.

H.R.04223

Colusa Basin Watershed Integrated Resources Management Act

15-Jul-98

Fazio (D-CA)

Approved by Resources on 10/12/98.

Permits Sec. Interior to provide funds to Colusa Basin Drainage District for projects in the Colusa Basin Watershed, CA, identified in Feb. 1995 planning document.

H.R.04243

Government Waste, Fraud, and Error Reduction Act

16-Jul-98

Horn (R-CA)

Passed by House on 10/14/98.

Addresses management and debt collection practices, Federal payment systems, and Federal benefit programs.

H.R.04244

Federal Procurement System Performance Measurement and Acquisition Workforce Training Act

16-Jul-98

Horn (R-CA)

Ordered to be reported by Government Reform and Oversight.

Amends the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 401 et seq.) to provide for measurement of the performance of the Federal procurement system, to enhance the training of the acquisition workforce.

H.R.04322

Upper Mississippi River Plan

23-Jul-98

Oberstar (D-MN)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Amends sec.1103(e) to add applied research as program item; require Sec. Army submit evaluation report to Congress NLT 12/31/04; increasing authorized funding. Amends sec. 906(e) re: non-Fed. in-kind contributions.

H.R.04328 P.L. 105-277

Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999

24-Jul-98

Wolf (R-VA)

Passed by House and Senate on 7/30/98. Conference Report agreed to be House on 10/20/98 and by Senate on 10/21/98. signed by President on 10/21/98.

Includes 8 appropriations bills, emergency supplemental funding, and various authorizations, incl. State of SD and 2 Tribes mitigation/recreation/land transfer title.

H.R.04331

Fort Peck Paleontogical Protection and Interpretation Act

24-Jul-98

Hill (R-MT)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs Sec. Army to design, construct, furnish, & equip an interpretive center and museum on Corps project land at Fort Peck Dam, MT., for preserving & interpreting historical, cultural, paleontological resources of project area. Transfers a parcel of Agriculture land.

Transportation Tax Equity and Fairness Act

24-Jul-98

Hulshof (R-MO)

Pending with Ways and Means

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 4.3-cent motor fuel excise taxes on railroads and inland waterway transportation which remain in the general fund of the Treasury.

H.R.04335

Endangered Species Consolidation Act

24-Jul-98

Young (D-AK)

Pending with Resources

Tranfers the responsibilities of Dept. of Commerce under ESA of 1993 to the Dept. of the Interior.

H.R.04389

Transfer BurRec Water Projects to Local Control

04-Aug-98

Doolittle (R-CA)

Reported, amended, by Resources on 10/6/98.

To transfer various projects in AZ, ID, CA, NM, CO, and TX (Consolidates several separate bills). Requires Fed. Gov't pay full cost of conveyance if transfer not completed w/i 2 years of enactment. Addresses responsibilities after transfers.

H.R.04409

Small Watershed Rehabilitation Amendments

05-Aug-98

Lucas (R-OK)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure, Resources, and Agriculture

Amends Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act to authorize the Sec. Agriculture to provide cost share assistance for the rehabilitation of structural measures constructed as part of water resource projects previously funded by the Secretary.

H.R.04462

Blue Ridge, Nottely, and Chatuge Lakes, GA, Ownership Transfers

06-Aug-98

Deal (R-GA)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Directs the transfer of ownership and management of three TVA lakes in Georgia to Sec. Army.

H.R.04570

Omnibus National Parks and Public Lands Act

15-Sep-98

Hansen (R-UT)

Reported to House on 10/5/98. Failed passage on 10/7/98.

Provides for certain boundary adjustments & conveyances involving public lands; establishes & improves management of certain heritage areas, historic areas, National Parks, wild and scenic rivers, and national trails.

H.R.04593

Natural Resources Institute

17-Sep-98

Crapo (R-ID)

Pending with Science

To estblish a National Resources Institute at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory.

H.R.04634

Estuary Habitat Restoration Partnership Act

25-Sep-98

Gilchrest (R-MD)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure and Resources

Establishes a "collaborative council" of certain Fed. agencies to consult with States & organizations to develop an estuary habitat restoration strategy, incl. a framework for streamlining Fed. estuary activities. Establishes a non-Fed. project program.

Year 2000 Preparedness Act

06-Oct-98

Morella (R-MD)

Pending with Science and Government Reform and Oversight

Directs that President shall provide for acceleration of the development of business continuity plans by Federal agencies.

H.R.04707

Prohibition on Planning the Sale of Southeastern Planning Administration

06-Oct-98

Gordon (D-TN)

Pending with Resources

Directs that no Federal department, agency or instrumentality may study, undertake any plan regarding, or commence negotiating the sale of the Southeastern Power Administration.

H.R.04717

Conservation and Reinvestment Act

07-Oct-98

Young (R-AK)

Pending with Resources

Establishes fund and directs payments from the fund to assist coastal State & local gov'ts. for projects re: coastal natural resources and uses re: Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act.

H.R.04735

Omnibus Parks Technical Corrections

08-Oct-98

Hansen (R-UT)

Passed by House on 10/10/98.

Authorizes various amendments to the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996.

H.R.04756

Year 2000 Preparedness Act

09-Oct-98

Morella (R-MD)

Passed by House on 10/13/98.

Directs agency heads to establish schedules, communicate Y2K implications to data exchange partners, give priority to installing filters to prevent system corruption, hold periodic meetings with exchange partners.

H.R.04805

Executive Travel Reports

11-Oct-98

Smith (R-NJ)

Passed by House on 10/13/98.

Requires reports to State Department on travel of executive branch officers and employees to international conferences.

H.R.04806

Grand Forks, ND, and East Grand Forks, MN, Flood Damage Reduction

11-Oct-98

Pomeroy (D-ND)

Pending with Transportation and Infrastructure

Authorizes project for flood damage reduction and recreation consisting of setback levees and floodwalls at total cost of \$281,754,000.

H.R.04832

Repetitive Flood Loss Reduction Act

14-Oct-98

Bentsen (D-TX)

Pending with Banking and Financial Services

Amends the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 to reduce losses from repetitive flooding.

Northwest Salmon Recovery Act

04-Oct-98

Furse (D-OR)

Pending with Resources and Commerce

Directs Sec. Interior, in consultation with Fed., State and Tribal governments in Pacific Northwest, to develop a unified plan for salmon recovery in the region by 12/31/99.

HJRES.072

Constitutional Amendment Allowing Item Veto in Appropriations Bills

16-Apr-97

Emerson (R-MO)

Pending with Judiciary

Constitutional Amendment granting the President line item veto authority with respect to appropriations bills.

HJRES.091

P.L. 105-104

Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin Compact

31-Jul-97

Barr (R-GA)

Passed by House on 11/4/97 and by Senate on 11/7/97. Signed by President on 11/20/97.

Grants consent of Congress to the A-C-FR Basin Compact.

HJRES.092

P.L. 105-105

Alabama-Coosa-Tallapoosa River Basin Compact

31-Jul-97

Callahan (R-AL)

Passed by House on 11/4/97 and by Senate on 11/7/97. Signed by President on 11/20/97.

Grants consent of Congress to the A-C-TR Basin Compact.